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SUBJECT: CENTRIFUGE DEVELOPMENT

- 1. THE URANIUM CENTRIFUGE JOINT DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL, COMPRISED OF HITACHI, TOSHIBA AND MHI HAVE DELIVERED A NUMBER OF NEWLY DEVELOPED CENTRIFUGES WHICH WILL CONSTITUTE A FUTURE CASCADE IN THE PNC CENTRIFUGE URANIUM ENRICHMENT PLANT. CONSTRUCTION OF A PILOT PLANT OF 40 TO 50 TONS SWU CAPACITY IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN IN 1977.
- 2. THESE CENTRIFUGES ARE APPARENTLY ADVANCED IN DESIGN OVER THE C-1 AND C-2 MODELS IN THAT THEY ARE MADE FROM HIGHER TENSILE STRENGTH MATERIALS, SO THEY ARE LIGHTER AND THEY HAVE A HIGHER SPEED OF ROTATION.
- 3. EACH OF THE THREE PARTICIPANTS HAS APPARENTLY INDEPENDENTLY CONDUCTED THEIR OWN DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM SINCE THREE SOMEWHAT DIFFERENT DESIGNS HAVE EVOLVED.
- 4. THESE CENTRIFUGES ARE IN THE PROCESS OF UNCLASSIFIED

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BEING INSTALLED IN THE PNC CENTRIFUGE DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM.

5. STARTUP OF THE C-2 CASCADE, THE 250 PREVIOUSLY
PLANNED CENTRIFUGES OF LOWER CAPACITY, SCHEDULED FOR
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